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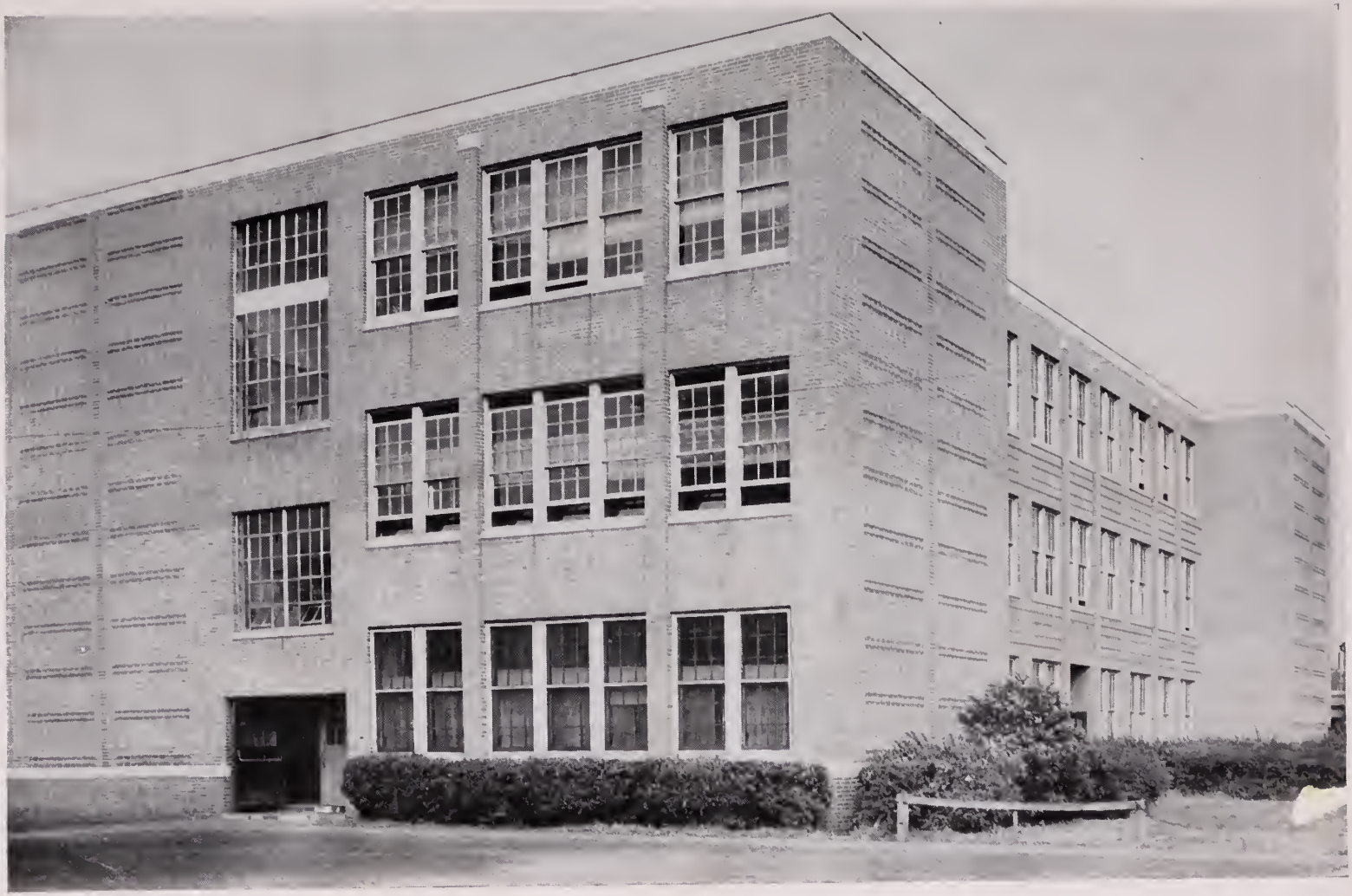
Foreword

Here compiled and presented are memories of our Senior year 1947-1948 at Norcom High School. We are grateful to the Faculty who taught us, to the student body who supported us, and to our Alma Mater who made us what we are.

Though geniuses none of us are, we have worked hard to make our Annual a great success. When the present has become our glorious past, and the future shall have poured out its bountiful blessings and manifold successes upon us, we shall have only to look at the printed pages of the Norcomium to find the deeds wrought in our early careers which paved the road to the heights then achieved.



I. C. NORCOM HIGH SCHOOL

Dedication . . .

To Our Parents and Sponsors

We, the members of the February graduating class of '48, dedicate this volume to you as an expression of our appreciation of your untiring efforts to help us. You can never know the admiration and affection that we have for you, and we can never repay you for your long service.

"Because you loved us, we have much achieved,
Had you despised us, then we must have failed;
But since we knew you trusted and believed,
We could not disappoint you, so prevailed."

Norcomium Staff

Editor-in-Chief ..... Clarine Baltrip
Associate Editors ..... Gloria Blackmon and Thelma Mewborn
Art Editors ..... Willie White and John Howell
Circulation Managers ..... Lillie Mae Holliday and Levi Thomas
Society Editor ..... Lita Johnson
Editor of Wit and Humor ..... Joann Cross
Advertising Manager and Business Manager ..... John Hill
Athletic Editor ..... Clarence Simpson

Faculty Advisors of The "Norcomium"

Mrs. R. P. Chapman

Mrs. V. S. Knight

SENIORS

February

CARLEEN ANDERSON
"Lene"
Member of the Band.

ALICE BAKER
"Kit"
Member of Tri - Hi - Y, Dramatic Club, Class Secretary.

CLARINE BALTRIP
"Aboo"
Member of Norcom Chorus, Dramatic Club, Varsity Club, Co-Captain of Cheering Squad. Editor-in-chief of Norcomium.

MORRIS BANKS
"Tom"
Member of Football Team.

MARY BARNES
"Munk"
Member of the Norcom Band.

GLORIA BLACKMON
"Glo"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y, Dramatic Club, and Cheering Squad. Associate Editor of Norcomium.

FRANCES BOOTH
"Lu-Lu"

JAMES BUSCH
"Rev."
Member of the Norcom Band.

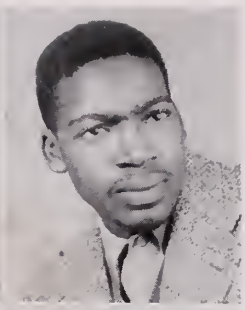
SOLOMON CAREY
"Bull"
President of Student Council, Member of Norcom Chorus.

BERTHA CLIFTON
"Bert"
Member of Latin Club.

Seniors

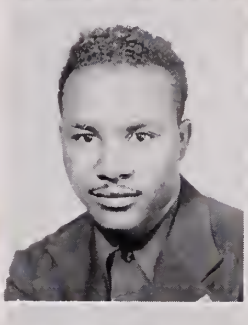
JOHN COLLINS
"Professor"

GEORGE COSTEN
"Little George"
Captain of Football Team.



MILTON COX
Member of Student Council.

ALMA CROCKER
"Pet"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y, and Dramatic Club.

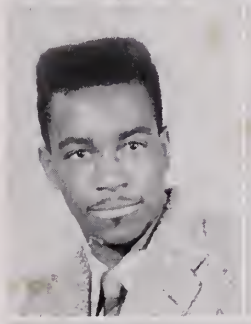


JOANN CROSS
"Jo"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y, Dramatic Club, Latin Club, and Editor of Wit and Humor for the Norcomium.

EVELYN DARDEN
"Sister"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y, Dramatic Club.

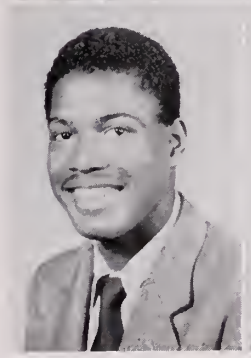
VERNON CRUMP
"Fish"
Member of Football Team.

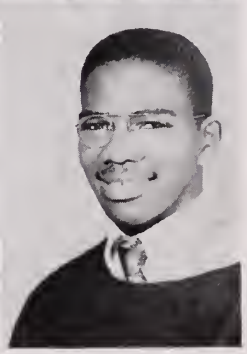
VESSIE DIGGS
"Body"
Captain of Cheering Squad, Member of Tri-Hi-Y, and New Home-Makers of America.



FORREST DIXON
"Dick"
Member of Football Team.

CORNELIUS ELLIOTT
Member of Football Team.





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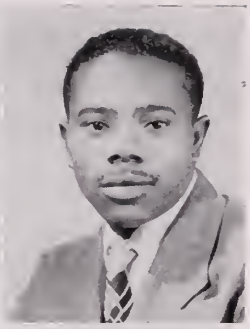
ELIZABETH ELLIOTT
"Fizzy"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y, Dramatic Club.



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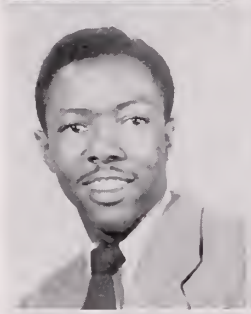
"Shorty"



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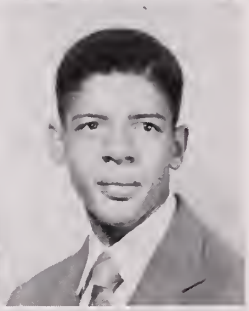
"Jazz"

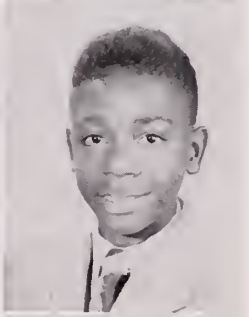


ROBERT HARRISON
"Buck"
Member of Dramatic Club.

JOHN HILL
"Dizzy"
Member of Dramatic Club, Norcom Chorus, Senior Class President, Advertising Manager of 1948 Norcomium.

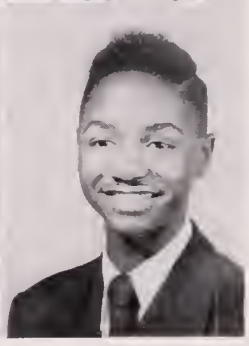
BERYL JEAN HODGES
"Chuckie"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y.

LILLIE HOLLIDAY
"Mae"
Member of Basket Ball Team, Circulating Manager of Norcomium.



JOHN HOWELL
"Midgett"
Art Editor of Norcomium.

LITA JOHNSON
"Fats"
Member of Norcom Chorus, Dramatic Club, Varsity Club, New Home-Makers of America, Society Editor of Norcomium.



SAMUEL JOYNER
"S. T."
Member of Hi-Y.

Seniors

HAZEL LAND
"Maw"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y, Dramatic Club.

ANNIE LEATHERS
"Ann"

WILLIAM MABRY
"Catfish"
Member of Football Team, Basketball Team.

RUBY MASON
"Dimples"
Member of Latin Club, Dramatic Club.

THELMA MEWBORN
"Skeets"
President of Dramatic Club, Associate Editor of Norcomium.

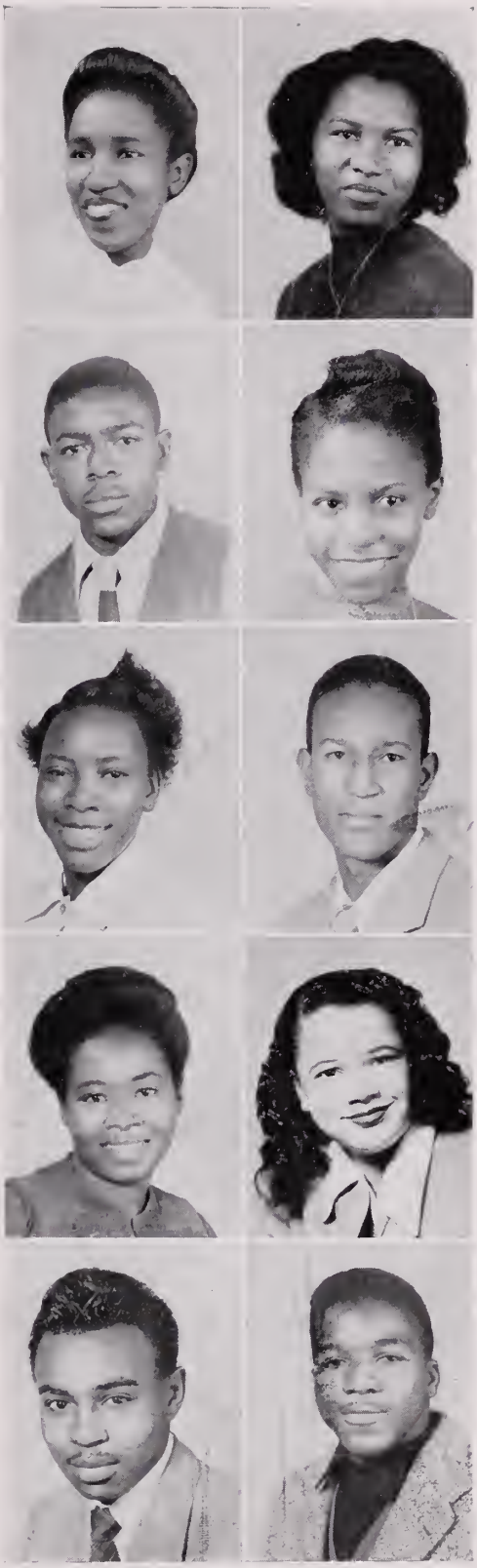
WARNER MITCHELL
"Bruiser"

MATTIE PARKER
"Mat"
Member of New Home-Makers of America.

VERNICE PARKER
"B-B"
Member of Newspaper Staff, Basket Ball Team, and Track Team.

BURNETTE PURNELL
"Broncho Bill"
Member of Dramatic Club.

BOBBY ROBINSON
"Joe Liggins"
Member of Football and Basketball Teams.



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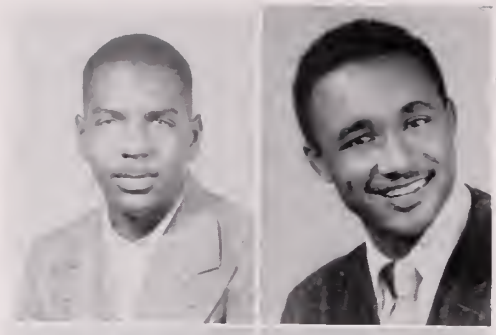
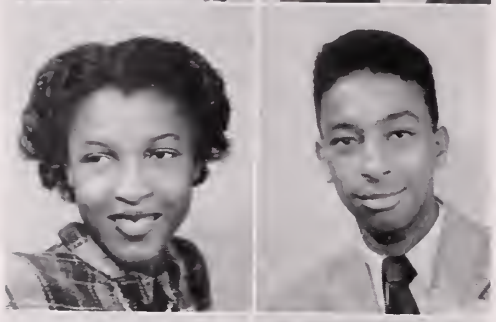


BERNARD SCOTT
"Doc"
Member of Norcom Band.

CLARENCE SIMPSON
"Ace"
Member of Football and Track Teams, Athletic Editor of Norcomium.



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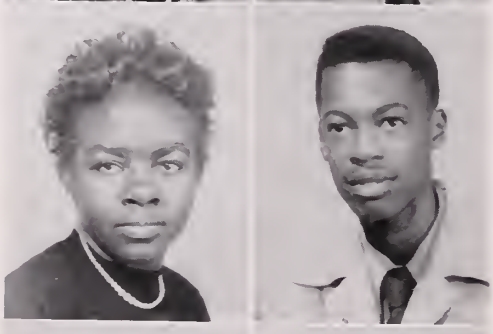
"Mae"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y, Dramatic Club.

LEVI THOMAS
"B-Y"
Member of Dramatic Club.



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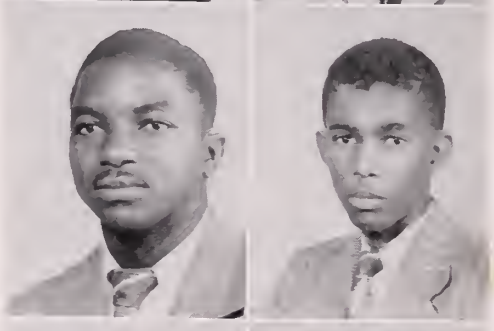
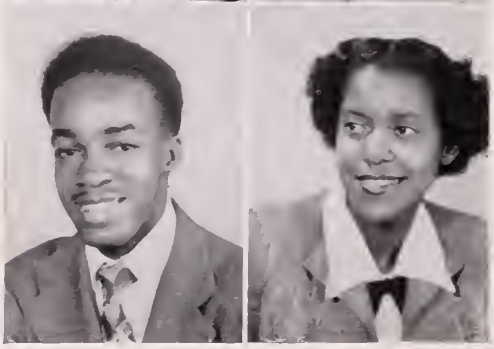
"Nitcy"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y, Dramatic Club.

RICHARD VASS
"Cheeta"
Memer of Dramatic Club.



RAYMOND TURNER
"Big Boy"

DAVID WATSON
"Shrimp"
Member of Norcom Band, Latin Club.



WILLIAM WATSON
"Boosta"
Member of Hi-Y, Dramatic Club.

VIRGINIA WELTON
"Turkey"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y.

Seniors

GEORGE WESTON
"House"

GOLENA WHITE
"Go"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y.

WILLIE WHITE
"Will"
Member of Dramatic Club.

ROBERTA WILLIAMS
"Bert"
Member of Dramatic Club.

Class Officers

JOHN HILL	*President*
ALICE BAKER	*Secretary*
REGINALD GALLISHAW	*Treasurer*

MOTTO:

"The Future is Ours, not Fate's"

COLORS:

Navy Blue and Yellow

FLOWER:

Yellow Carnation

History of the Class of '48

On the first day of February in the year of Our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-four, we, the graduating Seniors, crossed the threshold of I. C. Norcom High School. Very much aware of the difficulties to be faced, we came in with a proud, shy admiration of the things about us. We can still hear the roar of Mr. Waters' voice—"You go to Mrs. Moultrie's room,—you go to Mr. McGriff,—you go with Mr. Cuffey, and you go to Mrs. Chapman's room." There were four classes of Freshmen then, but because of failures and other handicaps, we are but two classes in our senior year.

We have labored hard to do the right things and to keep high the standards of I. C. Norcom, and to do nothing to bring shame to our Alma Mater. In all activities, our classes have come out victorious.

Mrs. Moultrie was one of our home teachers for three years, but in our fourth year she left us for a while. Her class was turned over to Mrs. Knight, who, with Mrs. R. P. Chapman, sponsors our class. Both have been like mothers to us, guiding their children, proud as we were when some one of us performed an outstanding feat, ready to lend a hand when we were in distress, and watchful to see that no one should take an unfair advantage of us.

Next to Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Knight, our English teacher, Mrs. M. S. Vick has done most to influence our lives. With her teaching on the every day conceptions of life, she has brightened our outlook upon the future and broadened our thoughts in a world-wise sense.

So, now we are again passing through the portals of Norcom—on our way out into the future,—into the unknown, but not shy and skeptical. We go out brave and certain, because we know, in general, what we will find, and what to expect.

Class Song

(Tune—"*Lullaby*")

Fare thee well, Norcom High;
It's time to say "Good-bye"
We will miss you every day,
You have helped us on our way.
We give thanks to our friends,
With this rite, school days end.
Faith enshrined in our hearts,
Sadness, too, as we part.

II.

Teachers, friends, parents, too
Have all seen us through.
Our task, just begun,
For our high school days are done.
God's world of toil and strife
Is the road that leads to life.
To obey, we're compelled,
So dear Norcom,—farewell.

(Written by Lita Johnson)

Class Poem

(By Alice Baker)

We bid farewell to you, O Norcom High,
'Tis time for us to say a sad Good-bye
Our heavy hearts deplore that luckless scene.
Our minds disturbed, our feeling still serene.
The love we have for you can't be explained,
It seeps its roots into your vast domain.
'Tis you who judge how wide our limits be,
O Norcom High. The school so dear to me.

II.

How often have we blessed this coming day.
Our debt to you in deeds we gladly pay.
The simple blessings from your lowly heart
Shall live with us long after we depart.
Eternal knowledge blossoms from your help
As we retrace our learning, step by step.
But if our voices break, we'll gladly sigh
"Oh, how we love you, I. C. Norcom High."

III.

To you, our hearts, our love, our griefs are given.
The thought of you will rest with us in heaven.
Contented are our minds, our hearts are yearning
For you who taught us everything in learning,
The deep prophetic fullness of your strength.
"Praise be ye, Norcom" are our words at length,
But now it seems we have to say "Good-bye
Dear Alma Mater,—I. C. Norcom High."

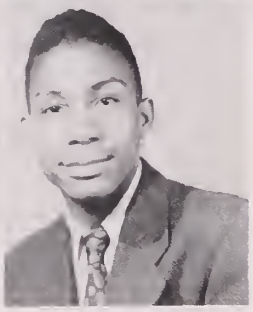
June

WANAMAKER ANDREWS
"Mickey"

IRMA BAILEY
"Shorty"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y, Latin Club.

LETHIA BALKNIGHT
Member of Dramatic Club.

MRS. FRANCES BARNES



MARGUERITE BAZEMORE
"Worry Wart"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y.

JACKSON BENNETT

MARGARET BOGUES
"Cressie"
Member of Norcom Chorus, Tri-Hi-Y.

ALONZO BOONE
"Bonnnie"

EVANGELINE BOOTH
"Tony"
Member of New Home-Makers of America, Norcom Chorus.

MILLICENT HAYWOOD

Seniors

TILTON BRINKLEY
"Jimmie"
Member of Dramatic Club.

SAMUEL BROADNAX

LOUISE BROWN
"Lou"

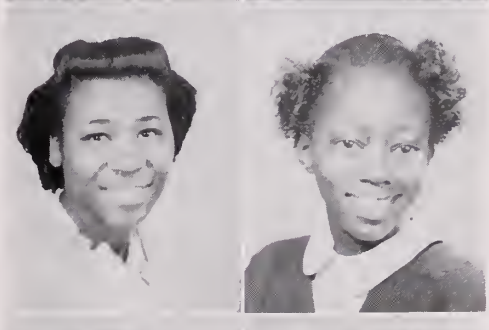
ODESSA BROWN
"Dimples
Member of Cheering Squad, Norcom Chorus.

VIRGINIA BROWN
"Skippy"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y, Dramatic Club.

ALVENICE BRYAN
"Venie"
Member of Norcom Chorus, Band, New Home-Makers of America.

WILHELMINA BURDEN
"Mina"
Member of Norcom Chorus, Cheering Squad, and New Home-Making of America.

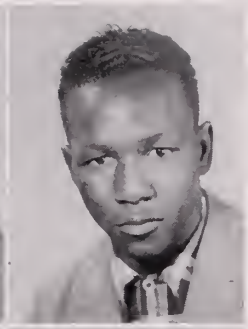
LORRAINE COOPER
"Yaney"



LORRAINE COPELAND
"Lo"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y.

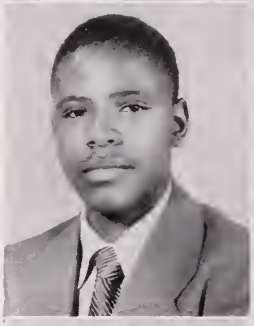
FANNIE COUNCIL
Member of Tri-Hi-Y.

June



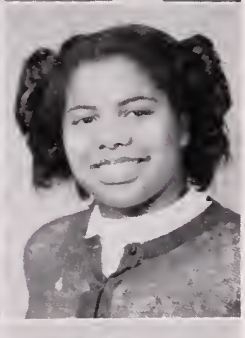
JAMES COX

LESLIE COX
Member of Football Team.



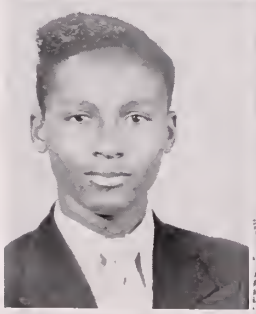
RICHARD CRUMP
"Dicky"

MARJORIE DARDEN



WILLIA DAUGHTRY
"Will"
Member of Norcom Chorus, New Home-Makers of America.

RUBIE DAVIS
"Bunny



HARRY DEMBY

JEAN DILLARD
"Butter Bean"
President of New Home-Makers of America.

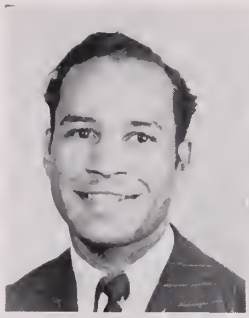
WAVERLY DILLARD
"Dicky"

ELAINE FAULK
"Laine"

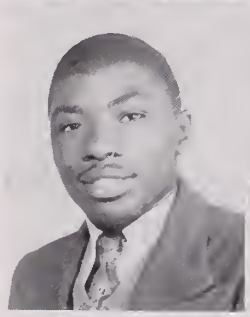
Seniors

JAMES FLIPPIN
Member of Norcom Chorus.

WILLIE GRAY

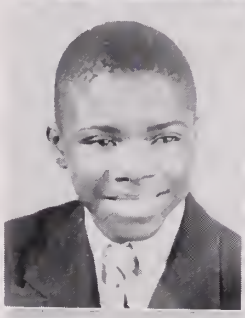


CLAUDE GRIFFIN



ALICE HALE
"Baby Tank"

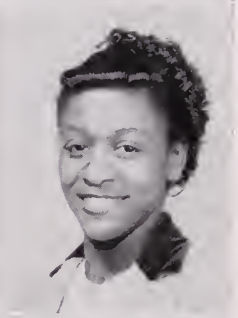
BERNARD HENDERSON
"Dave"
Member of Norcom Chorus, Band, Football Team.



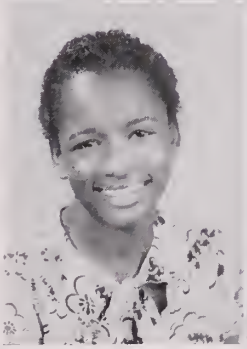
EMMA HILL
"Bill"

ELAINE HUNTER
"Frisky"
Member of Varsity Club, Band, Track Team and Basketball Team.

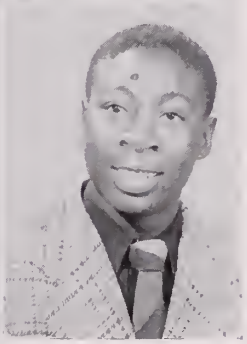
ELIZA HURDLE
"Sallo"
Member of Track Team.



ERNESTINE HURDLE
"Ernie"



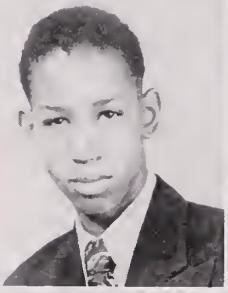
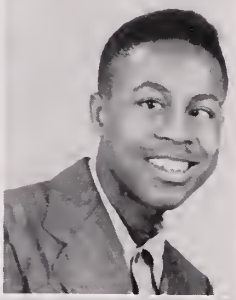
IVORY JAMES



June

CARRIE JONES
"Liz"
Member of Tri-Hi-Y.

PRENTICE JORDAN

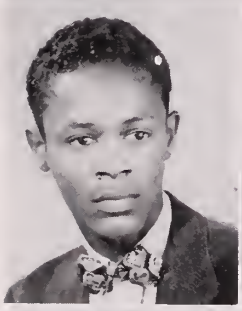



RICHARD JOSIE
"Dick"

HOWARD KING
"Lee"

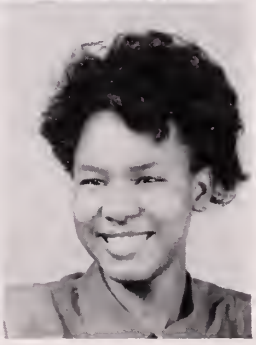
NORMA LASSITER

CATHERINE LEE
"Kitty"
Member of Norcom Chorus.



THOMAS LOUNDES
"Tommy"
Norcom Band.

LYDIA MALLOY
"Slick"
Captain of Cheering Squad, Member of Norcom Chorus, Tri-Hi-Y.



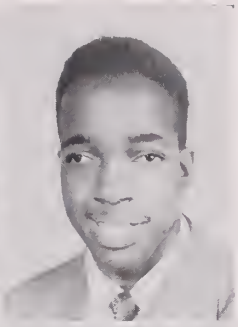
BERNICE MASON
"Mickey"
Member of Norcom Chorus.

EUPHESENIA MASSEY
"Heavy"
Member of Norcom Chorus. Cheering Squad.

Seniors

JEAN MELTON
"Nita"

JOSEPH MEYERS
"Junior"

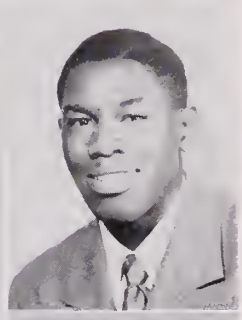


DORA McGLONE
"Doe"
Co-Captain of Cheering Squad.

MATTIE MOORE
"Jeanie"
Member of Norcom Chorus.

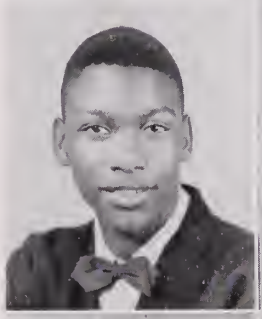
MRS. VELMA OLIVER

JAMES PITT
"Jake"
Member of Football Team.



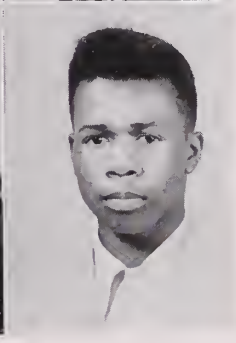
HERBERT POWELL
"Herbie"

JOHN REID
"Gill"



MARTHA REID
"Willie Red"
Member of Cheering Squad.

CURTIS RICHARDS



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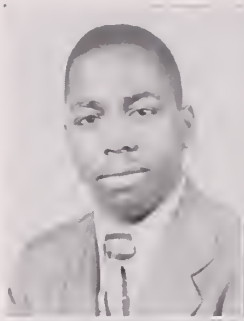
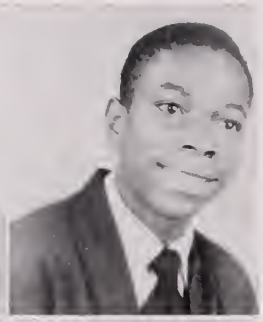


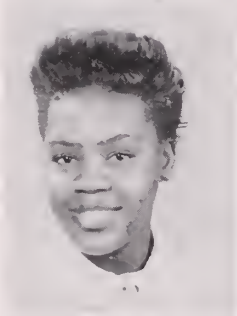


ALVIN RICKS
"Tootsie Tom"
Member of Norcom Chorus.

OSCAR RIDDICK

EARL ROLAND

GRACE ROOTS
"Gravel Gertie"
Member of Cheering Squad.

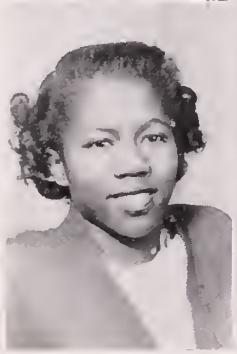


NORMA SALLEE
"Flash"
Member of Cheering Squad, Track Team, Varsity Club, and Basketball Team.

COURTNEY SAUNDERS

JEAN SCOTT

MARY SEWELL
Member of Basketball Team.



PATTIE SHARPE
"P. D."
Member of Cheering Squad.

WILLIE BELL SILLS

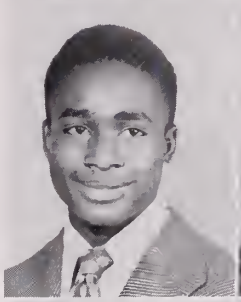
Seniors

FRANCES SOUTHALL
"Little Bits"

ELINOR SUTTON
Majorette in Norcom Band.

JAMES STEVENSON

DELORES VINSON
Member of Cheering Squad.



MARJORIE VINSON

AUDREY WALTON
"Pauchee"
Member of Basketball and Track Teams, Tri-Hi-Y.

DORETHA WATTS

LAURA WILLIAMS
"Laura Lee"

MARIAN WILLIAMS
"Parkie"
Member of Norcom Chorus.

ORA WILLIAMS

June Seniors

PEARLIE WILLIAMS
"Midget"
Member of Norcom Chorus, Cheering Squad.

OFFICERS OF THE JUNE SENIOR CLASS

JAMES FLIPPINS	*President*
COURTNEY SAUNDERS	*Vice President*
JOSEPHINE MASON	*Secretary*
HERBERT POWELL	*Assistant Secretary*
ALICE HALE	*Treasurer*
MARGARET BOGUES	*Business Manager*
RICHARD JOSIE AND TILTON BRINKLEY	*Assistant Business Managers*

MOTTO:
"Build Your Future on the Fires of the Past"

CLASS COLORS:
Green and White

CLASS FLOWER:
White Carnation

Under Classmen

3 A-1 Class

OFFICERS

Mildred Forbes	*President*
Willie Smith	*Vice President*
Geraldine Lawrence	*Secretary*
Jean Faulk	*Treasurer*
Alberta Fitzgerald	*Chaplain*
Matthew Hill	*Sergeant-at-Arms*
Venessee Shepherd	*Reporter*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

James Askew
Lawrence Brown
Herbert Coombs
Vannie Coles
James Earls
Rudolph Freeman
Matthew Hill
Alfred Jordan
Joseph Lancaster
Carroll Rodgers
Willie Smith
Linwood Rodgers
Joseph Tazewell
Calvin Watson
Isaiah Wilson
Walter Watts
Marcellus Spargar

Girls

Ramona Ausby
Edith Boone
Louise Brown
Constance Cherry
Charlotte Creekmur
Dorothy Drew
Jean Faulk
Doris Freeman
Alberta Fitzgerald
Mildred Forbes
Mary Ann Hunter
Geraldine Lawrence
Thomasine Newbie
Doris Parker
Helen Peddy
Mazar Slade
Ruby Stewart
Vashti Southall
Annie Williams
Thelma Yancey

Home Teacher—Mrs. E. C. Everette

Motto—"*Just one more step*"

OFFICERS

Ms. [illegible]	*President*
[illegible]ESTES	*Vice President*
Eva Griffin	*Secretary*
Mr. D. J. Vick	*Treasurer*
Philip Nichols	*Chaplain*
Helen Brown and Ethel Brown	*Reporters*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Riley Bates	Johnnie Darden	Arthur Simon
Horace Bell	Hutchins Dillard	George Small
Jesse Boone	James Estes	Robert Stevenson
Alphonso Clanton	William Miles	Alphonso Stevenson
Edward Colden	Philip Nichols	William Turner
Samuel Cuffee	Julian Plummer	Percy Wiggins
	Rudolph Richardson	

Girls

Margaret Boswell	Eva Mae Griffin	Blanche Orton
Ethel Brown	Sylvia Hatcher	Gloria Saunders
Helen Brown	Doris Hicks	Virginia Smith
Charlotte Butts	Geraldine Jones	Vera Thomas
Delores Crump	Juanita Jones	Olivia White
Constance Garland	Naomi Mallory	Bessie Williams
	Clarice Mitchell	

Home Teacher—Mr. D. J. Vick

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"Some day perhaps the memory of ev

CLASS COLORS—*Blue and*

OFFICERS

WILLIE MCCALL	*President*
BERNICE LIVERMON	*Vice President*
MARY HILL	*Secretary*
ZELDA SMITH	*Treasurer*
JOBE RICKS	*Chaplain*
SYLVIA DOUGLAS	*Reporter*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Elbert Butler	Willie McCall	Jobe Ricks
Joseph Colden	William Powell	Mermon Rodgers
Walter Dillard	Efton Reid	Roy Smith
Charles Flynn	Walter Reid	Linwood Stewart
Nathaniel Jones		Allia Watts

Girls

Helen Allen	Evelyn Landers	Almina Roberts
Mary Daughtry	Bernice Livermon	Julia Smith
Sylvia Douglass	Herminia Palmer	Zelda Smith
Mary Hill		Audrey Woodard

HOME TEACHER—MRS. M. S. VICK

2 B-2 Class

OFFICERS

Willie Davis	*President*
Thomas Hardie	*Vice President*
Barbara Turner	*Secretary*
Charlie Jones	*Assistant Secretary*
Jean Jordan	*Treasurer*
David Smith	*Reporter*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Willie Van Davis
Johnnie Gordon
Thomas Hardie
Nathaniel Harris
Charlie Jones
Clarence Ligon
Joseph Mayo
Walter Person
Alfred Smith
David Smith
Theodore Tynes
James Walker
Clinton Williams

Girls

Mildred Battle
Virginia Bunch
Thomasine Bushell
Dorothy Daughtry
Alice Elliott
Marcia Johnson
Jean Jordan
Rosa Pitt
Joyce Powell
Evelyn Scott
Antoinette Small
Elaine Smith
Barbara Tennessee
Barbara Turner
Margaret Watts
Evelyn Worrell

Home Teacher—Mrs. D. B. Muckle

2 B-3 Class

OFFICERS

Alexander Brown	*President*
Carey Hill	*Vice President*
Helen Williams	*Secretary*
Helen Crocker	*Assistant Secretary*
Miss C. O. Russell	*Treasurer*
Elnora Smith and Nathaniel Smith	*Reporters*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Robert Andrews
Alexander Brown
Vernon Brown
Allen Dillard
Thomas Garrett
Cornelius Goodman
Carey Hill
Henry Kellogg
Leslie Kee
Purvis Richardson
Judson Smallwood
Nathaniel Smith

Girls

Marion Bolden
Jean Brown
Helen Crocker
Elizabeth Crowell
Dolly Hall
Cleo Jones
Doris Johnson
Cleo Price
Selena Mae Scott
Geraldine Shine
Elnora Smith
Leola Wiggins
Helen Williams

Homn Teacher—Miss C. O. Russell

2 A-1 Class

OFFICERS

Milford Anderson	*President*
William Pritchard	*Vice President*
Marlene Perry	*Secretary*
Stella Bell	*Assistant Secretary*
Bruce Weston	*Sergeant-at-Arms*
Annie Mae Potter	*Treasurer*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Milford Anderson
Joseph Barnes
Lloyd Bell
Edward Brown
Walter Blackwell
Aubrey Chambliss
Ernest Deberry
Donald Harrison
Junius Mason
William Pritchard
Johnnie Small
Thomas Small
Bruce Weston

Girls

Stella Bell
Dorothy Gatling
Dorothy Harrell
Barbara Harris
Jessie Knight
Gladys Lee
Ada Mitchell
Dorena Mitchell
Marlene Perry
Annie Mae Potter
Velma Scott
Sarah Vaughan
Sylvia Whitehead

Home Teacher—Mrs. M. D. Branch

2 A-2 Class

OFFICERS

Delores Tazewell	*President*
Rosa Riddick	*Vice President*
Lucinda Busch	*Secretary*
Mary Sills	*Sergeant-at-Arms*
Beatrice Flannigan	*Chaplain*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Raymond Barr
Paul Blount
William Carter
Vernon Copeland
Benjamin Dean
George Eason
Leroy Evans
Darnell Griffin
William Harrison
William Hunter
Robert Jones
Richard Patterson
Joseph Scott
Walter Wilder
Walter Williams

Girls

Lucinda Busch
Lucy Fernandez
Beatrice Flannigan
Evangeline Carter
Lizzie Leathers
Lillian McDowell
Rosa Riddick
Lillie Sherrod
Mary Sills
Delores Tazewell
Sallie Walker
Ora Ward
Wray Ward

Home Teacher—Mr. D. M. Muckle

2 A-3 Class

OFFICERS

Verdell Jones	*President*
Lillian Bowers	*Vice President*
Dorothy Washington	*Secretary*
	Assistant Secretary
	Treasurer
Louise Johnson	*Reporter*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

George Clark
Russel Copeland
James Gardner
Joseph Harris
Fred Jarmon
James Peete
Samuel Reid
Johnnie Riddick
Rudolph Robinson
Irvin Scott
Archie Sexton
John Smallwood
Lindsay Vaughan
Percy Woodard

Girls

Ruth Ashe
Lillian Bowers
Louise Brown
Florence Copeland
Joyce Elliott
Anne Edwards
Louise Johnson
Theodora Robinson
Virginia Spence
Dorothy Washington
Barbara White
Elnora White

Home Teacher—Mr. J. L. McGriff

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1 B Class

OFFICERS

Rosa Hardy	*President*
Leonard Holt	*Vice President*
David Hill	*Secretary*
John Duke	*Assistant Secretary*
Leroy Smith	*Treasurer*
Oscar Crawford	*Sergeant-at-Arms*
Arlene Mason	*Reporter*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Arthur Copeland
Oscar Crawford
George Crump
Johnnie Duke
Robert Gray
Charlie Hardy
David Hill
Leonard Holt
James Joyner
Jacob Williams
Clifton McCoy
Richard McGlone
Vernon Mitchell
JesseMorris
William Pope
Arthur Porter
Eli Ratcliff
Clarence Riddick
Leroy Smith
William White
Freddie Wilson
William Moseley

Girls

Doris Baker
Loretta Beale
Cennie Benton
Morrise Copeland
Elsie Grant
Rosa Hardy
Shirley Irving
Arlene Mason
Ethel Mills
Constance O'Neal
Barbara Revels
Helen Smith
Jessie Smith
Delores Stephenson
Ernestine Taylor
Rosetta White

Home Teacher—Mr. A. T. Edwards

1 A-1 Class

OFFICERS

Rosetta Whitehead ..... *President*
George Speight ..... *Vice President*
Helen Jacobs ..... *Secretary*
Ruth Copeland ..... *Assistant Secretary*
Mrs. E. P. Williams ..... *Treasurer*
Annie Faltz ..... *Reporter*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Allison Baysmore
Willie Clifton
Thomas Edwards
Leroy Hunter
Edward Josey
Frank Langston
Elton Price
George Reid
Howard Riddick
Eugent Sallee
Clarence Smith
George Speight
Rudolph Williams
Oscar Woody

Girls

Virginia Branch
Mildred Brown
Ruth Copeland
Marie Cross
Delores Franklin
Annie Faltz
Elizabeth Freeman
Mary Gaines
Dorothy Harold
Violet Hill
Eunice Hunt
Helen Jacobs
Reola Jenkins
Delores Lancaster
Edna Leggett
Annie Moore
Clara Royster
Virginia Stevens
Rosetta Whitehead
Realie Williams

Home Teacher—Mrs. E. P. Williams

1 A-2 Class

OFFICERS

Laura Scott	*President*
Alice Knight	*Vice President*
Alicia Parker	*Secretary*
Audrey Marion	*Assistant Secretary*
Miss O. Anderson	*Treasurer*
Joseph Bright	*Sergeant-at-Arms*
Doris Colden	*Reporter*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Joseph Bright
Joseph Carver
Arrington Crump
James Dixon
Cornelius Harding
Joseph Rodgers
Henry Tucker
George Ward
William Wilson
Cephas Wright

Girls

Delores Elev
Alice Elliott
Addie Ellis
Jacqueline Gallop
Thelma Grant
Odell Hamlin
Rosa Kellogg
Alice Knight
Henrietta Backus
Mary Blow
Lucy Burgess
Bessie Chapman
Doris Colden
Lois Costen
Louise Dawson
Jessie Dixon
Retha Dudley
Audrey Marion
Senealia Newbie
Alicia Parker
Mary Powell
Eleanor Riddick
Lanra Scott
Inez Thorne
Louise Watson
Mary Wilson

Home Teacher—Miss O. Anderson

1 A-3 Class

OFFICERS

Dorothy Porter ..... *President*
Willie Lee Darden ..... *Vice President*
Mildred Williams ..... *Secretary*
Cresella Bell ..... *Reporter*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Cassell Brown
Curtis Campbell
Walter Daniels
Willie Lee Darden
Harvey Flowers
Harry Lee Garland
Charles Harris
William Hurdle
James Mitchell
Alphonso Satchell
Norfleet Taylor
Milton Walker
John Wynn
Cornelius Yancey

Girls

Emily Alston
Cresella Bell
Jean Bryan
Carthella Churchill
Charlotte Clanton
Jean Dessaw
Rutha Evans
Jerline Henderson
Louise Herring
Dorothy Mae Porter
Gloria Robinson
Audrey Simms
Vivian Slaughter
Effie Spruill
Virginia Sykes
Josephine Vinson
Elsie Whitehead
Ersell Williams
Mildred Williams
Alice Woodard

Home Teacher—Mrs. Margaret Moultrie

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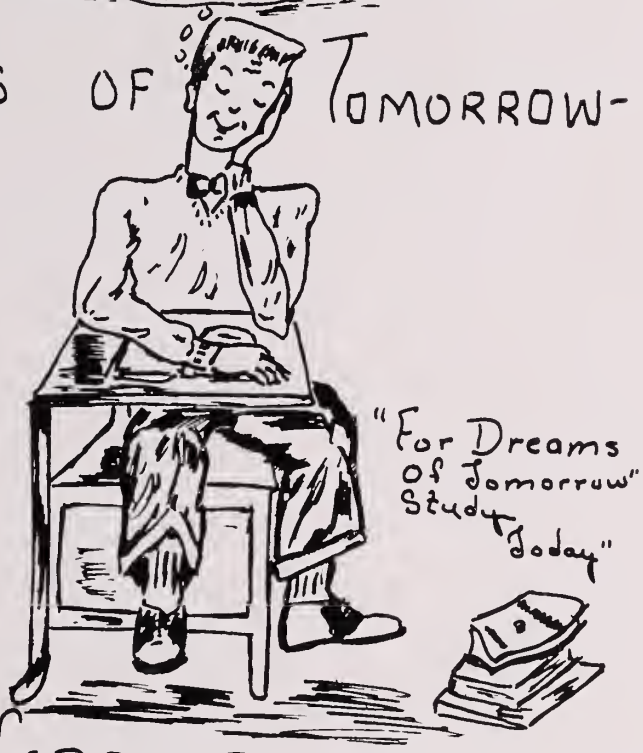
4 Years To Go

-Dreams of Tomorrow-



8th Grader

8 B-1 Class

OFFICERS

Margie Lucas	*President*
Louise Potts	*Vice President*
Guinevere Leathers	*Secretary*
Catherine Bell	*Assistant Secretary*
Delores Arrington	*Sergeant-at-Arms*
Mrs. Purdie	*Treasurer*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

William Barnes
James Bradson
William Brewer
Mack Brown
Ernest Forbes
Howard Grimes
Richard Johnson
James Mallory
Louis Potts
Lee Riddick
Vernon Vass
Earl Waters
Maurice Williams
Walter Colden
Joseph Smith

Girls

Delores Arrington
Catherine Bell
Janis Benton
Fraitus Colden
Millie Cox
Vivian Dinkins
Cora Hill
Guinevere Leathers
Margie Lucas
Geraldine Odom
Jacqueline Simmons
Delores Staten
Lilliam Smith
Louise Watson
Ray Watson
Dorothy Webb
Peggy Wilson

Home Teacher—Mrs. S. J. Purdie

8 B-2 Class

OFFICERS

Leah Joyner	*President*
Barbara Steward	*Vice President*
Shirley Wilson	*Secretary*
Jacqueline Benton	*Treasurer*
Margaret Thrower	*Student Council*
Rebecca Norfleet	*Student Patrol*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

James Bazemore
Thomas Beamon
Thomas Booker
Bernard Boyd
Robert Faultz
Frederick Harrell
George Hawkins
Robert Hines
William Jones
Thomas Norman
Leon McDowell
Raymond Rodgers
James Wright
John Vinson

Girls

Thelma Bailey
Margaret Barnhill
Jacqueline Benton
Doris Brown
Mary Davis
Ruth Diggs
Lillie Everette
Annie Hunter
Naomi Hutcherson
Dorothy Jones
Leah Joyner
Rebecca Norfleet
Edna Overton
Bessie Simmons
Olivia Smith
Helen Staten
Barbara Steward
Margaret Thrower
Ethel Ward
Estelle White
Shirley Wilson

Home Teacher—Mrs. H. W. Edwards

8 B-3 Class

OFFICERS

Leon Chambliss	*President*
Elizabeth Johnson	*Vice President*
Davis Bridges	*Treasurer*
Howard Morning	*Sergeant-at-Arms*
Hannah Williams	*Secretary*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

George Blount
James Branch
Leon Chambliss
Henry Ghatting
Joseph Hawkins
Richard Hicks
Arthur Hinton
Eugene Moore
Howard Morning
Earl Pearson
Russell Smith
Edward Wright
Paul Williams
Charlotte Bond
Doris Bridges
Barbara Clark
Lona Croom
Aquilla Fitzgerald

Girls

Ollie Mae Griffin
Mary Ann Harmon
Elizabeth Johnson
Rosa Lee Jordan
Annie Langford
Sallie Mason
Alta Parker
Virginia Randall
Lynese Sexton
Willie Mae Shine
Christine Spicer
Jacqueline Taylor
Rosa Lee Valentine
Shirley Ward
Alberta West
Bessie White
Georgia Williams
Hannah Williams
Mildred Hazelwood

Home Teacher—Mrs. F. T. Davis

8 A-1 Class

OFFICERS

Hilda Brewer	*President*
Pearline Hyman	*Vice President*
Theressa Boone	*Secretary*
Katherine Clanton	*Assistant Secretary*
Olympia Frierson	*Treasurer*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Merlin Barnes
Richard Bivens
Wilfred Bivens
William Boothe
Jerry Bryant
Windom Clarke
Roland Ellerby
Theodore Gray
Maurice Hill
Oscar Pierce
Theodore Reid
James Smith
Smallwood Spence
James Turner
Leslie Vann
Wesley Vann
Ulysses Freeman

Girls

Flora Barnes
Adsell Boone
Yvonne Boone
Theressa Boone
Helen Bowser
Florence Barber
Hilda Brewer
Emily Crocker
Katherine Clanton
Olympia Frierson
Agnes Henderson
Pearline Hyman
Thelma Jones
Carrie Langston
Eunice Majette
Ruie Murphy
Mary Moore
Thelma Pete
Blondina O'Neal
Coletha Slade
Harriett Spence
Eloise Terrell
Sarah Whitehead
Mamie Westmoreland
Gloria Woods

Home Teacher—Mrs. M. A. Brown

8 A-2 Class

OFFICERS

Erma Morris ..... *President*
Thelma Jones ..... *Secretary*
Frank Ferrell ..... *Assistant Secretary*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Walter Baskerville
Floyd Batts
Anderson Carter
Howard Crocker
William Elliott
William Gayles
Daniel Hornes
Frank Ferreli
Thaddeus Ligon
Wilbert Robinson
Oliver Smith
Bennie Whitfield
Morris Williams
Wyatt Williams

Girls

Geneva Barnes
Delores Benton
Sylvia Colden
Janet Grant
Carole Green
Catherine Harris
Lauretta Harrison
Hershey Haywood
Nadine Herring
Florence Hill
Evelyn Hyke
Darlyn James
Johnnie Mae Jernigan
Essie Johnson
Thelma Jones
Willie Mae Jones
Vertley Lassiter
Jean Lawrence
Vernice Love
Ora Manigan
Justine Mason
Erma Morris
Ida Powell
Carleen Reid
Laverne Reid
Vivian Sawyer
Mary Starks
Marlene Thorne
Etta Williams

Home Teacher—Miss E. M. Williams

8 A-3 Class

OFFICERS

Mary Jones	*President*
Hennie Simmons	*Vice President*
Bernice Williams	*Secretary*
Georgia Costen	*Assistant Secretary*
Marie Conaway	*Treasurer*
Bernice Williams	*Reporter*

CLASS ROLL

Boys

Walter Booker
David Boone
Russell Cheeks
Rufus Dillard
Bernard Elliott
Donald Gale
Eugene Hill
Raymond Jordan
Edward Joyner
Roosevelt Knight
Willie Lee Pemberton
Waverly Shepherd
Willie Stevens
Charles Stokes
Herbert Thomas
George Wise
William Wright
William Wilkins

Girls

Florence Barnes
Sylvia Brown
Catherine Bunch
Audrey Burt
Virginia Bryams
Georgia Coston
Marie Conaway
Virginia Crowell
Malissa Davis
Helen Elliott
Beatrice Franklin
Evelyn Garrett
Sheba Hill
Mary Jones
Clara Leake
Eunice Livermon
Helen Pitt
Naomi Rawls
Norma Scott
Hennie Simmons
Hester Westmoreland
Bernice Williams
Evelyn Wright

Home Teacher—Mrs. G. E. Bushell

PUPILS WHO WERE ABSENT

WHEN THEIR CLASS PICTURE WAS TAKEN

Boys

Wilford Bivens
Thomas Booker
William Booth
Rufus Dillard
Henry Gatling
Maurice Hill
Henry Kellogg
Johnnie Riddick
Willie Smith
Herbert Thomas
James Wright

Girls

Doris Brown
Lois Costen
Naomi Hutcherson
Reola Jenkins
Mrs. Porter
Ernestine Taylor
Rosa Valentine
Ora Ward
Bernice Williams

8th Grade Classes Entering February, 1948

Pupils Entering 8th Grade In February, 1948

8 A-1—Mrs. Purdie, Home Teacher

Boys

Charlie Boone
Robert Doles
Lindberg Evans
Clifton Faircloth
Moses Garrett
David Lewis
Henry Mayo
Starkey Morris
James Porter
Samuel Sawyer

Girls

Phyllie Anderson
Nannie Council
Bernice Elliott
Rosa Gay
Mary Jones
Ellen Lowe
Lorene Murphy
Jean Smith
Sylvia Spence

8 A-2—Mrs. Edwards, Home Teacher

Boys

Reginald Allen
Williford Bivens
Eugene Bollings
Alvin Bowser
Russell Cheeks
Conrad Crump
Clinton Joyner
Elridge Jones
Clarence McCall
William Melvin
Dennis Moore
Samuel Pierce
Robert Smith
John Staten
Johnnie Walton
Joseph White
James Whitehead

Girls

Cortez Arnold
Aloise Beamon
Shirley Bradley
Juanita Davis
Ruth Denmark
Gloria Dove
Mary Faircloth
Helen Goodman
Grace Harris
Alice Holloman
Delores James
Delores Jernigan
Susie Jones
Claudine Leathers
Rosa Moore
Rosa Reid
Sylvia Turner
Norma Vincent
Beatrice Watson
Marion Watts
Mildred White
Sarah White
Aleene Williams

8 A-3—Mrs. Knight, Home Teacher

Boys

Alexander Barnes
Hubert Bagley
Harry L. Colden
Edward Copeland
John Gregory
Walter Hunter
Frank Jennings
Roosevelt Knight
Square Lewis
Howard Moore
William Maben
Gordon O'Neal
John Price
Willie Lee Pemberton
Henry Smith
Kenneth Smith
Walter Smith
William Winston
Alfred Williams
Russell Williams
Russell Williford

Girls

Andrea Bodie
Catherine Bunch
Virginia Bynum
Geneva Cherry
Nancy Daughtry
Mildred Elliott
Etta May Garrett
Barbara Harding
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Joann Jones
Jean Lawrence
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Mattie Stevenson
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		William Turner	

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Mildred Battle	Alberta Fitzgerald	Helen Peddy	Evelyn Worrell

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The Dramatic Club has named itself the "Thespian Dramatic Club" of Norcom. Its purpose is to study the drama in all its phases. This year, its members look forward to the presentation of three one act plays,—"Hurricane Hill", "His First Girl", and "Magnolia Blooms".

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To this committee of citizens, I. C. Norcom High School is sincerely grateful. Their untiring vigor and deep interest resulted in the realization of a long cherished dream—a band for Norcom High School. Thanks to their efforts, the support of all Portsmouth citizenry, and the cooperation of our student body, we now boast a well-uniformed, playing band under the leadership of the band instructor, Mr. Derrick Copeland.

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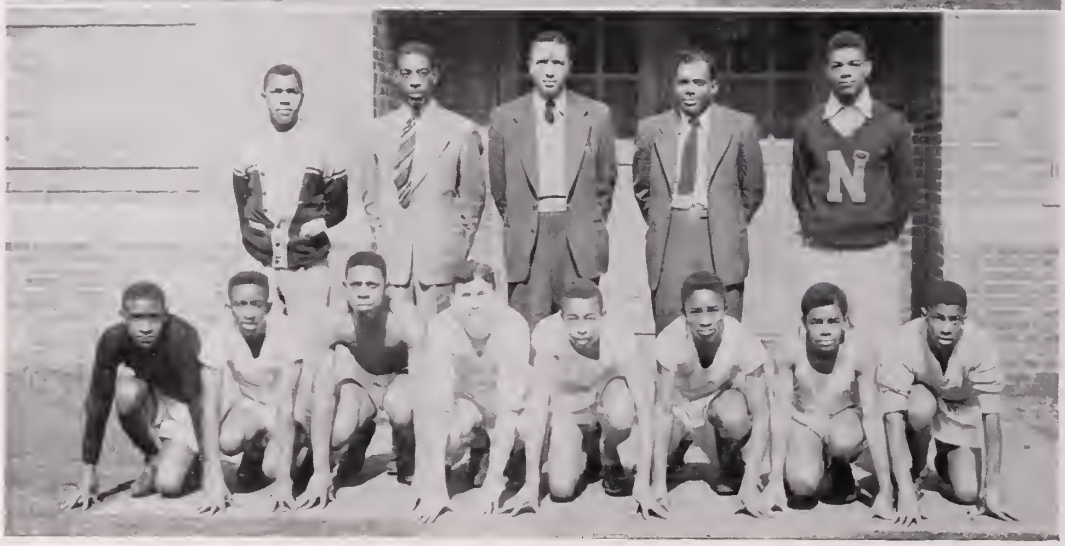
ATHLETICS

1947 Football Team

Date	Place	Contestants	Results	
Sept. 25	Portsmouth	Norcom vs. Dunbar Wildcats, Lynchburg	Norcom— 0	Lynchburg—0
Oct. 2	Portsmouth	Norcom vs. Douglas Park	Norcom— 6	D. Park—0
Oct. 10	Petersburg	Norcom vs. Peabody, Petersburg	Norcom— 0	Peabody—15
Oct. 17	Portsmouth	Norcom vs. Hampton Freshman	Norcom—	Hampton
Oct. 24	Portsmouth	Norcom vs. B. T. Washington, Suffolk	Norcom—18	Suffolk—0
Oct. 31	Portsmouth	Norcom vs. Huntington Hi, Newport News	Norcom— 0	Newport News—36
Nov. 7	Portsmouth	Norcom vs. Armstrong Hi, Richmond	Norcom—12	Armstrong—0
Nov. 14	Hampton	Norcom vs. Phenix Hi, Hampton	Norcom— 0	Phenix—19
Nov. 21	Roanoke	Norcom vs. Addison Hi, Roanoke	Norcom— 6	Addison—0
Nov. 28	Norfolk	Norcom vs. Booker T. Washington	Norcom— 0	Booker T.—0

Basketball Teams

Date	Place	Opponents
Dec. 12	Portsmouth	York County Training School
Dec. 19	Portsmouth	Heyden High School, of Franklin, Va.
Jan. 7, 1948	Portsmouth	East Suffolk High School, of Suffolk, Va.
Jan. 12	Williamsburg	Bruton Heights High School
Jan. 14	Portsmouth	Ahoskie High School
Jan. 19	Portsmouth	D. W. Davis High School, of Petersburg, Va.
Jan. 21	Portsmouth	Douglas Park High School
Jan. 23	Norfolk	Booker T. Washington High School
Feb. 3	Suffolk	Booker T. Washington High School, of Suffolk
Feb. 5	Portsmouth	Smithfield
Feb. 10	Portsmouth	Bruton Heights, of Williamsburg, Va.
Feb. 11	Newport News	Huntington High School
Feb. 13		St. Joseph High School, of Norfolk, Va.
Feb. 16	Portsmouth	Booker T. Washington High School, of Suffolk
Feb. 18	Portsmouth	Huntington High School, of Newport News
Feb. 23	Portsmouth	Booker T. Washington High School, of Norfolk
Feb. 24	Portsmouth	Douglas Park High School
March 1	Ahoskie, N. C.	Ahoskie
March 3	Petersburg	D. W. Davis High School



Girls' Track Team

Champions of the Eastern District of V. I. A. L. 1945, 1946, and1947. Norma Sallee, Captain, is sprint champion for 50 yard dash and 75 yard dash. The championship relay team is composed of Millicent Haywood, Eliza Hurdle, Elaine Hunter and Norma Sallee.

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Clarine Baltrip, with her attendants, Lydia Malloy and Dora McGlone

The "Home-Coming" parade, featuring "Miss Norcom", was made possible to the students of Norcom through the efforts and support of the Business Men's League of Portsmouth, whose President is Mr. Luther Johnson.

SCENES FROM THE JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM

Social Calendar

OCTOBER 3, 1947—

The Senior Class welcomed the Freshmen into High School with the following program:—

Devotionals, led by ..... Thelma Newborn
Reading, "Work", by Kipling ..... Joan Cross
Solo, "The Lord's Prayer" ..... Vessie Diggs
Address, "Oppportunities at Norcom" ..... Gloria Blackmon
Reading, "Laugh and the World Laughs With You" ..... Elizabeth Elliott
Duet, "Indian Love Call" ..... Clarine Baltrip and Lita Johnson
Reading, "Things As They Are" ..... Hazel Land
Address of Welcome to the Freshmen ..... John Hill
Response from Freshmen ..... Charles Harris
Instrumental Selection ..... John Hill—Trumpet
Bobby Robinson—Saxaphone
David Watson—Saxaphone

OCTOBER 14—

The Seniors presented the magician, Miss Ellen Armstrong, who travels from school to school throughout the country with her performance. Her program of tricks, jokes, and special drawings pleased a large audience.

OCTOBER 21—

The Seniors and the Norcom Chorus presented themselves in "The Lazy Moon Minstrels." The play was enacted by the following characters:—Hazel Land, Mabel Slade, Elizabeth Elliott, Alma Crocker, Cora Tucker, Alice Baker, Evelyn Darden, Ruby Mason, Reginald Gallishaw, William Miles, Solomon Carey, Levi Thomas, Warner Mitchell, John Hill, Richard Vass, Willie White, William Watson, and Samuel Joyner, who took care of the dialogue. In addition, the audience enjoyed numerous solos, trios, choruses and special readings, among which were the "Tickling Song", by Mary Barnes and Alice Baker, a reading "Encouragement" by Roberta Williams, an instrumental trio by John Hill, David Watson, and Bobby Robinson, a trio by Geraldine Lawrence, Clarisse Mitchell and Willia Daughtry, and a trio by Lita Johnson, Selena Scott, and Marcia Johnson.

NOVEMBER 6—

The Senior class presented Mrs. Ada Bell Griffin, of Massachusetts, in a literary interpretation of the play, "Life With Father", in which Mrs. Griffin interpreted all characters. Her performance was very enjoyable, although the audience was small.

NOVEMBER 13—

The "Home Coming" game on this date, was preceded by a mammouth parade, with spectacular floats from all classes and organizations. This parade was made possible through the efforts of the "Business Men's League" of Portsmouth, headed by Mr. Luther Johnson. At the game, "Miss Norcom" in the person of Miss Clarine Baltrip, presided over the events of Home Coming. Her attendants were Misses Lydia Malloy and Doris McGlone.

Social Calendar

NOVEMBER 21—

The Seniors sponsored a Sport dance at the Y.M.C.A., 1300 Chestnut Street. Good music. Lots of fun. A financial success.

NOVEMBER 23—

Seniors of the 4B2 section gave a "Musical Tea" at the home of Lita Johnson. On the program were Misses Virginia Welton, Selena Scott, Marcia Johnson, Lillie Holliday, and Lita Johnson. Both the program and the refreshments were enjoyable.

DECEMBER 16—

The Reverend Mr. Jordan of Third Baptist Church delivered a Christmas message to the Juniors and Seniors of Norcom. Rev. Jordan's message was both timely and forceful. Additional numbers on the program included the following:—

Solo, "The Lord's Prayer"—Lydia Malloy
Reading—Joann Cross
Trio—Mattie Moore, Marion Williams, and Margaret Bogues.
Quotations—Thelma Newborn and Richard Vass.

Jokes

Teacher:—What is a synonym?
Joe:—A synonym is a word you use when you can't spell the other one.

Mrs. Vick:—Different words are spelled in different ways. Take 'gnat" for instance.
Vass:—I know, Mrs. Vick. That's spelled K-N-A T.

Teacher:—Johnny, if you had ten cents in one pocket and five cents in the other, what would you have?
Johnny:—I'd have someone else's trousers.

Son:—Dad, can you write in the dark?
Dad:—Well, I guess so.
Son:—O.K. Then turn out the lights and sign my report card.

Mrs. Branch:—Define a circle.
Elliott:—A circle is a round straight line with a hole in the middle.

Alma:—Why is Richard's head like an empty tank?
Alice:—It needs filling.

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AND
HUMOR

Snap Shots

JOKES

Bobby had a hard time pronouncing his "Rs", so the teacher gave him this sentence to learn:—"Robert gave Richard a rap in the rib for roasting the rabbit so rare." The next day she asked Bobby to repeat the sentence. He rose and said:—"Bob gave Dick a poke in the slats for not cooking the rabbit enough."

Teacher:—How would you rescue a man from drowning?

Eager Pupil:—That's easy. First you take the man out of the water and then you take the water out of the man.

Snap Shots

JOKES

Teacher:—In which battle was the King of Sweden killed?

Pupil:—I'm pretty sure it was his last one.

Mrs. Chapman:—Bacteria are microscopic organisms. Thomas, what do you mean when you say they are microscopic?

Thomas:—That means they are about the size of a microscope.

Alumni Page

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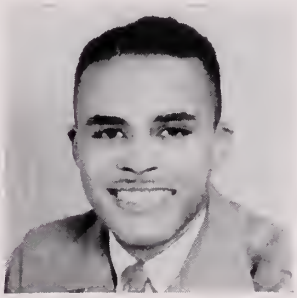

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